Dear Harold, 11/5/98

I hope this letter finds you in stable health! I have not forgotten what we talked about concerning your home repairs, and I realize that the rusty metal is a matter of exigiency. I have been so busy at work, and watching what appears to be somewhat declining health that I've been only able to skirt my own issues! - ha! ha! We will talk about this very soon. I will attempt by myself to at least take care of the rusted roof metal (perimeter) Maybe we can work out something with another set of your books, as I have friends with a lot of interest in this subject!

I really wanted to talk with you after I had read all of the series you wrote. I'm on the last book, NEVER AGAIN! One question from me, How the hell did you find and develop the resolve to stick with this for thirty-five years? I would have gotten so angry and frustrated, that I would have gone "postal" and and whacked out some of these lying sons of bitches. No one ever accused me of being a repository of patience! Anyway these are so well-researched and documented to read the series requires total

dedication, which I find between the hours of 10:30 pm to about 1:30 am!

I do have a question about Lovelady and the doorway photograph, most definitely that is Bills hairline especially the little semicircle of receded hair-visible scalp, in the top center of his forehead. I do have pictures of the shirt with Lovelady in it taken in the seventies. It does appear to be the one he had on at T.S.B. doorway. Why he wore the striped garment to F.B.I. session I dont know. Long ago I resolved the question of the man in the doorway.

I know you find this tedious, but concerning those tramps (and walking on thin ice with you again) D.P.D. patrolman William Chambers claims that he never questioned them as stated by DPD administration. Patrolman Ernest Bech, officers Roy Vaugn, D.V. Harkness and officers Bass and Wise all say deeply conflicting statements both on and off the record concerning this whole tramp identity and where and when they were arrested and released. No Harold I am not saying that this is germaine to the assassination, or that this crew was Sturgis, Hunt, or Carswell. However, I've still reservations concerning exactly what occured in the yards, the supposed interogation and release of what appears to be

different sets of vagabonds directly after the shooting and within a couple hours. There is too much conflicting testimony concerning the affair for all I know one of the tramps could have been Oscar Wilde! - stretch your imagination! Ha Ha! Enough said!

One other thing of small importance, Samuel Pate who is a friend of mine, was most definitely the first to report shots had been fired and was on Stemmons ramp at the top at the moment of the first shot. No tape was made by Sam in an effort to dishonestly lay claim to history. K-BOX radio's manager and several others corroborated this tape that was at the moment of his line announcing recording the events as Sam flipped around on Stemmons heading South in the northbound lanes passing right to the left of the oncoming motorcade. With a dying or dead J.F.K. Secret Service agents in follow-up cars and DPD motorman have testified to this event taking place. Also Sam is mentioned in Warren Report as being parked directly behind T.S.B.D. getting to that point within minutes of the shooting. He arrived via Continental exit Stemmons, Munger, Ross, Houston, where the barricades

were removed and he parked his K-Box station wagon with his yellow revolving light at the rear of TSBD next to Houston. He reported from there for maybe forty five minutes. He also stated that he observed a guy running north on Houston directly after he arrived there also reported by other witnesses. Of course the Warren Commission didn't depose him, as countless other seminal or, if you may, "marginal" witnesses slipped thru the cracks! I have included photo copied Warren report pages citing Sam Pates presence. The only reason why I am writing this, is that I got the impression that you were under the belief that Sam pulled off a hoax. Even Groden whom I introduced to Pate had incorrectly assumed that Pates presence was never documented. Of course I actually believe I know more fact and entertain less theory than BOB "Paranoid" Groden, after all I'm not mercenary in my quest for knowledge.

My dear friend, I am also sending you a group of pictures of 214 Neeley, the backyard has been recreated by my friend Ron Nelson who owns the home. I also included a bunch of pictures with locations on rear. I know you have seen them a thous and times, but maybe

you like getting fun mail as much as I do! Besides you haven't been to Dallas in a while and these are recent!

Will call you shortly, please take of Lillian and yourself!

God Bless you two!

Sincerely Thomas Weaver.

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